This meeting is being held to gather information to help the committee conduct its activities. The committee will examine the information and material obtained during open sessions in an effort to inform its work. Although opinions may be stated and lively discussion may ensue, no conclusions are being drawn at this time. Therefore, observers who draw conclusions about the committee's work based on today's discussions will be doing so prematurely.

Furthermore, individual committee members often engage in discussion and questioning for the specific purpose of probing an issue and sharpening an argument. The comments of any given committee member may not necessarily reflect the position he or she may actually hold on the subject under discussion, to say nothing of that person's future position as it may evolve in the course of the committee's activities.

AGENDA
August 26-28, 2009

Wednesday, August 26, 2009

CLOSED SESSION

12:00 p.m. Room Opens
(Lunch available in the Lecture Room)

1:00 p.m. Welcome and Agenda Review
Ellen Stofan

1:15 p.m. Balance and Composition Discussion
Dennis Chamot
NRC/DEPS

2:00 p.m. Overview of NRC Study Process
David H. Smith

2:30 p.m. Decadal Survey Overview
Steven Squyres

3:00 p.m. NOSSE Perspective on the Last Decadal Survey
Stephen Mackwell

3:30 p.m. Break

OPEN SESSION

3:45 p.m. Charge to the Decadal Survey Committee
James Green
NASA HQ

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Thursday, August 27, 2009

OPEN SESSION

7:30 a.m. Room Opens
(Breakfast available in the Lecture Room)

8:30 a.m. International Lunar Network: Programmatic George Tahu and Julie Bassler
NASA HQ and NASA Marshall Space Flight Center

9:00 a.m. International Lunar Network: Science Barbara Cohen
NASA Marshall Space Flight Center

9:45 a.m. Break

10:00 a.m. Mercury After MESSENGER Sean Solomon
Carnegie Institution of Washington

11:00 a.m. Venus Flagship Mission Study Mark Bullock
Southwest Research Institute

12:00 p.m. Discussion Committee and Guests
(Lunch will be served in the Lecture Room, committee discussion will continue)

1:00 p.m. VEXAG Priorities and Plans for Exploration of Venus Susan Smrekar
Jet Propulsion Laboratory

2:00 p.m. Open Questions for Mercury, Venus and the Moon James Head, III
Brown University

3:00 p.m. Break

3:15 p.m.  Mission Studies and Technical Assistance 1  
           Kim Reh/Robert Moeller/Chet Borden/Keith Warfield  
           Jet Propulsion Laboratory

4:00 p.m.  Mission Studies and Technical Assistance 2  
           Michael J. Amato  
           Goddard Space Flight Center

4:45 p.m.  Mission Studies and Technical Assistance 3  
           Paul Ostdiek  
           Applied Physics Laboratory

5:30 p.m.  General Discussion  
           Committee and Guests

6:00 p.m.  Adjourn

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**Friday, August 28, 2009**

**OPEN SESSION**

7:30 a.m.  Room Opens  
           (*Breakfast available in the Lecture Room*)

8:30 a.m.  Importance of Samples to Studies of Inner Planets  
           Meenakshi Wadhwa  
           Arizona State University

9:30 a.m.  General Discussion of Science Priorities for Inner Planets  
           Committee and Guests

10:15 a.m.  *Break*

**CLOSED SESSION**

10:30 a.m.  White Papers, Science Priorities and Mission Studies  
           Ellen Stofan

12:00 p.m.  Agenda Items for October Meeting  
           Ellen Stofan

12:30 p.m.  Schedule for Third Panel Meeting  
           Ellen Stofan

1:00 p.m.  General Discussion  
           Committee  
           (*Lunch will be served in the meeting room, committee discussion will continue*)

2:00 p.m.  Adjourn